Hi Everyone!

This is the first in a series of updates to the community regarding the Clay Street Bridge Replacement Project.

**Project Overview**

This project is funded primarily through the Federal Highway Bridge Program and considers replacement of the functionally obsolete existing single-lane bridge over Hangtown Creek at Clay Street to increase public safety and usability. The proposed new bridge would be two lanes with a bridge barrier that would meet safety standard height and have an architectural treatment to stay in character with the surrounding area and downtown historic area theme. The new bridge deck would be approximately 2 feet higher than the existing bridge structure. Potential realignment of Clay Street between US Highway 50 and Main Street may be needed to accommodate the new bridge structure, bringing Clay Street into the intersection with Cedar Ravine Road at Main Street to form a new four-leg intersection with either all-way stop or signal control. Reconstruction of the intersection of Main Street, Cedar Ravine Road, and Clay Street would require conforming to the existing pavement and would extend along Main Street in both directions and down Cedar Ravine Road. In conjunction with the Clay Street realignment component of the proposed project, the historic Druid Monument located at the intersection of Cedar Ravine Road and Main Street could potentially be moved approximately 45 feet west from its current location to a new pedestrian refuge island on Main Street at the intersection of Cedar Ravine Road. Reconfiguration of the Ivy House parking lot into two separate lots to accommodate the realigned Clay Street may also be needed. The parking lots would be owned and maintained by the City as public parking. Ingress and egress locations to the parking lots will be limited to Clay Street only; no access would be provided from Main Street.

**Current Period**

The Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was released on March 2, 2018 for public review and written comments. *The City wants your input as written comments on the EIR A Public Open House on the EIR is scheduled for April 4, 2018 at Town Hall, 549 Main Street from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.* We value your input and it will help make the project better for our community! Please send in your written comments prior to April 18, 2018 and address them to:

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In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), only written comments will be accepted on the EIR, so please get them to the City prior to the April 18th deadline.

Thank you!
Important Information

- We know the environmental process can be a confusing one and often there is the question of “when is this project happening?” Please see the attached Project Delivery Process and Project Milestone Schedule Handouts for an easy to follow progress to date and where we currently are in this process. The City has also prepared answers to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for the project and it is attached to this update.
- Public meetings during the review period are not required under CEQA. There will be no formal public meetings during the Draft EIR Public Review Period, but the City will be hosting an open house format for the project on April 4th, 2018 at 6:00 pm at Town Hall, 549 Main Street, Placerville. If you would like to comment on the EIR, please provide your written comments. Verbal comments at the open house meeting will not be considered for the document.

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Please feel free to contact us directly with any questions or concerns. Thank you for your patience!

Thank you!